



CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
Grandparents Club

Newsletter
May 2024



SAVE THE DATE

Next
Grandparents
Gathering
May 8th, 9am

**CHECK
IT OUT**
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Mark your calendars for our May meeting, where we will hear from our Director of Spiritual Formation, Dr. Becky Wiley.

Grandparents will be packing goodie bags for our 3 overseas High School mission trips to Poland, Ghana and Alaska, plus 1 local Middle School mission trip to Barren River, KY. These four trips will take place this summer. What a wonderful way to send them off by writing them a note of encouragement and filling a bag with some fun items.

Please email Danielle Gleitz at dgleitz@caschools.us if you would like more information.

Dates to Know

ELEMENTARY

- May 3, No School
- May 10, 2nd Grade Science Fair
- May 22, K Graduation
- May 24, 5th Grade Celebration

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- May 7, 6th-7th Grade, Choir Concert
- May 9, 8th Grade, Band Concert
- May 14, 6th-8th, Orchestra Concert
- May 16, 6th-7th Grade, Band Concert
- May 22, 8th Grade Graduation
- May 24, 6th-7th Grade Awards Program
10:30 am, Auditorium

HIGH SCHOOL

- May 6, Senior Awards Night
- May 7, Choir Concert
- May 9, Band Concert
- May 10-11, Rocketry Competition
- May 24, Graduation, SECC, 7 pm

ALL

- May 3, No School, Recess Day
- May 24, Last Day of School



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Biblical Unity with Mr. Parker

NEW BOOK RELEASE

United we stand; divided we fall”. If we truly believe these words—which are rooted in the wisdom of Jesus Christ (Psalm 133:1; Matthew 12:25), why do we accept division among us, generation after generation? It does not have to be this way. God has a better way.

In his book, “Biblical Unity: It Takes You And Me,” author Deon Parker shares many ways we have become unbiblically divided and many ways we can pursue biblical unity. He also shares his personal journey to becoming a biblical unifier and pays homage to some of American history’s greatest unifiers. Most importantly, Deon shares the eternal value of being united with Jesus Christ and with all of God’s children—across racial, gender, denominational and political lines.

This book offers Christ-centered hope and guidance for people who want to enjoy long-term loving and respectful relationships with God and one another. Any household, school and church can be blessed by the insights of this book and assisted in their biblical unifying efforts.

To watch Deon’s video about his new book, [**CLICK BELOW**](#) on the video image.



[**CLICK HERE TO
PURCHASE THE BOOK**](#)



CAL SUMMER MISSIONS

At our next Grandparents Club Meeting we will be packing goodie bags and writing notes to 80 Middle and High School students going on the 4 missions listed below. Please be in prayer for the groups as they embark on these HUGE and impactful missions honoring God.

ALASKA

MAY 31 – JUNE 8

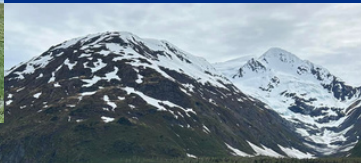
30 High School Students



ZAKOSCIELE, POLAND

JUNE 21 – JULY 1

19 High School Students



ACCRA, GHANA

JULY 2 – JULY 15

12 High School Students



HENDERSON, KY

JUNE 17 – JUNE 22

19 Middle School Students



Acts 1:8

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

[CLICK HERE TO IMPACT ONE OF OUR SUMMER MISSION TEAMS](#)



Elementary Happenings...



The Elementary Fifth Grade production of Danny & The Shacks was a success!

These brave kids performed for their peers and parents on April 18 & 19. The drama department hit it out of the park with this one. What a wonderful showcase of the many talents we have right within our school.



Middle School Happenings...

April 13-17, many 8th Graders took their annual trip to DC lead by Middle School History teacher, Mrs. Batuello. They were able to see so many things, such as the World War II Memorial, Washington Monument, Arlington National Cemetery, Jefferson Memorial and have a special part in the Wreath Laying Ceremony. So many wonderful bonds formed over such rich history. What a special trip!

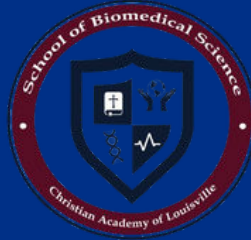




High School Happenings...

Biomedical Science

Pathway Graduation



At this special awards ceremony, students received a white coat for 2 years in the program, a 3-year pin, or a 4th-year graduation regalia cord to signify their outstanding achievement in the four-year program. Additionally, students eligible for the Christian Academy Diploma of Distinction completed a portfolio with specific components that include essays and projects, experiences throughout the four-year pathway, community service, internships, participation in HOSA (Future Health Professionals), the Global Missions Health Conference, and personal reflections on academic and spiritual growth.

Prior to the recognition ceremony, students displayed, explained, and defended to guests their capstone projects of research and development learned throughout the four-year Biomedical Science program. The rigorous, basic courses of the Biomedical Science pathway are Principles of Biomedical Science, Human Body Systems, Medical Interventions, and Biomedical Innovation. Students earn college credit and important social and emotional skills necessary to enter college or the workplace after graduation.

This year has been a record-breaking year:

139 students enrolled in the School of Biomedical Science

167 students are currently enrolled in PLTW biomedical science classes

52 students received their white coats

31 students received their 3rd year pins

27 students received their graduation cords for completion of the pathway

23 students were confirmed for School of Biomedical Science Diplomas of Distinction at Graduation

Since 2016, Christian Academy has awarded
356 white coats and 142 diplomas of distinction



High School Happenings...

School of Spiritual Formation Graduation



The School of Spiritual Formation was launched two years ago with the goal of developing a viable instructional design in high school that would encourage students who want to go deeper in their spiritual walk with the Lord. Its mission is "to equip and empower students through uniquely curated spiritual experiences and courses, in order to grow as spiritual leaders who bring the kingdom of God to their present and future callings".

Students have taken courses to equip them with a biblical understanding of wisdom and have been empowered to live by it through the instruction as well as through one-on-one mentoring. They examine, analyze, discuss, and apply key biblical texts, Christian doctrines, and themes of wisdom from contemporary authors. They are challenged through field trips, seminar discussions, lectures from guest speakers, and scripture memorization challenges. They are trained to safely glean wisdom from the church as well in the world around them, learning to navigate an increasingly secular culture.

On April 29th, 15 students received year one pins of recognition, and 14 students received year two pins of recognition. Five Seniors who completed all the graduation pathway requirements for the School of Spiritual Formation received their graduation cords and the Diploma of Distinction.

Following a time of teacher-led worship and a challenge to the students by a guest speaker, students shared pivotal elements of their experiences in the pathway that led to their spiritual development and personal flourishing.

"He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ". Colossians 1:28



High School Happenings...

A New Team Coming to CAL High School



“Our family is very excited to join the CAL community. During my time in Christian education, I have admired Christian Academy from a distance. It has an excellent reputation and throughout this process I’ve only grown more impressed meeting all the people connected to the school. We are convinced the Lord has called us to join the ministry at CAL and are so excited to be a part of it all and to return to the Bluegrass!”

- Mr. Behnken

Dr. Cassandra Woods Assistant Principal

“I am excited to work alongside the Christian Academy of Louisville school family and help draw students closer to Christ, for I believe that through the collaborative efforts of stewards in God’s Kingdom, souls are restored, lives are healed, and relationships are elevated.”

- Dr. Woods

Mr. Craig Wallace Assistant Principal

“I couldn’t be more excited! What an amazing opportunity God has provided me to continue to be His hands and feet through service within the CAL community. Two of my big rocks as an educator are servant leadership and relationships. At my core, I’m a servant leader through and through as I sincerely value the time invested in the growth of others. I also know just how powerful strong, positive relationships are in impacting the lives of our students and the culture within a faculty and school community. I can’t wait to get started on July 1!”

- Mr. Wallace



Other Happenings...

Shirley Poulter Pavilion Dedication

On April 22, Christian Academy held a special dedication event honoring the late Shirley Poulter. Friends and family came together to remember the heart and soul of Shirley Poulter, who served the Christian Academy community for so long.

Stories told by her friends were funny, and loving and truly gave you an idea of the kind of person she was and how much she loved our Rock Creek Campus years ago.

Christian Academy was honored to recreate her pavilion at CAL for many kids to enjoy through gardening or class instruction time. Drive by the pavilion during carpool to see how beautiful it is.





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12th Annual
CAL Athletics *Golf Classic*

May 13, 2024

Persimmon Ridge Golf Club



Love to play golf? Come participate in CAL's 12th Annual Golf Classic at Persimmon Ridge Golf Club on May 13th. This golf classic is the athletic department's ONLY fundraiser. Proceeds go towards athletic equipment, coaching salaries, facility/field upgrades, and more. Breakfast begins at 7 am, and shotgun start time is 8 am.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

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What a wonderful first 5 months of our Grandparents Club! I've enjoyed getting to know each of you, hearing about your relationships with your Grandkids, and plugging you into the school. Know that we will break for the summer with meetings but I'll be hard at work coming up with new ideas for our Grandparents Club. Please reach out to me if you'd like to meet up for coffee and hear more!

Our Annual Fund campaign will kick off in the fall. There will be a lot of hype and information around this campaign. I would love for you to prayerfully consider a donation to our Annual Fund. Please click the link below or reach out to me for more information. I would love to talk more about the impact this campaign has on CAL staff and students.

THANK YOU!
Danielle Gleitz

[ARE YOU ALL IN? CLICK HERE TO MAKE A GIFT](#)

Thank you for being such wonderful Supporters of CAL!